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MEMORANDUM FOR: Office of Legislative Counsel

THROUGH : Deputy Director for Management and Services

SUBJECT : Proposed Amendment to Agency Travel Regulations to Prohibit Shipment of Foreign Manufactured-Foreign Purchased Motor Vehicles

1. Subject amendment is attached for your consideration in terms of Congressional intent.

2. The Travel Policy Committee, when drafting the amended regulation, deliberately omitted certain contingency authorities which were included in both Department of Defense and Department of State regulations on this subject. These authorities permit shipment of foreign manufactured and purchased vehicles under the following circumstances:

- (a) Local laws prohibit sale at foreign post.
- (b) Emergency evacuation precludes sale prior to departure from foreign post.
- (c) Local laws require vehicles operated at foreign posts to have right hand drive.
- (d) Use of foreign manufactured vehicle is necessary to personal safety.
- (e) Spare parts and service for U.S. manufactured vehicles are not available at foreign posts.

The opinion of the Committee was that to include these exceptions in the amended regulation would provide loopholes in the general prohibition and encourage

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needless inquiries regarding the exceptions. The Committee envisioned, however, that instances might arise which would require the DD/M&S to consider exception to the general prohibition under one or more of these circumstances. Therefore, the Committee respectfully suggests that you acquaint Congressional liaison with these exceptions and request approval for their application by the DD/M&S as circumstances may warrant.



Chairman
Travel Policy Committee

Attachment
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